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SOURCE

1. The Industrial Standards Committee of East Germany is engaged in the standardization of production means, working methods, and materials and spare parts. It establishes technical quality and delivery conditions on the basis of German Industrial Standards (DIN) and co-operates with the Standards Committee in Western Germany, giving special consideration to qualities of material and processing possibilities in Eastern Germany.

2. The Industrial Standards Committee in East Germany was under the control of the Standardization and Quality Department of the Central Administration for Research and Technology of the State Plan Commission at 8 Krausen Strasse, East Berlin. The chief of the Standardization and Quality Department was Goebel (fnu). The Standardization Committee was organized into working groups for individual industries. It was located on Oranienburger Strasse in East Berlin. The office of the Western German Standards Committee was on Ruland (sic) Strasse in Berlin.

3. The Standards Committee maintained relations with the German Academy of Sciences, the Measures and Weights Administration, and the Material and Goods Testing Administration via the State Plan Commission. It did not maintain direct independent relations with other institutes. The Standard Committee also was not directly involved in and exerted no influence on research and development work.

4. The standards established in Eastern Germany were not co-ordinated with those of the U.S.S.R., nor were standard specifications available. No secret control of, or participation in, the preparation of standards or technical quality and delivery conditions was known.

5. Source learned that a Standardization Administration would be established for relations with the People's Democracies.

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